Diversity Council Meeting Wednesday June 14, 2006

Presiding: Alyce Bradbury, Chairperson

Members Present: Alyce Bradbury, David Goulding, Gordon Flake, Yuping Chen, Bill qb Quattlebaum, Doug Bristol, Mike Humble, Kathy Ahlmark, Pat King-Herbert, Boris Risek, , Bill Jirles (Union Rep),. Non-voting members: Ginny Ivanoff,

Members Absent: Janice Allen, William Boyd, Celeste Edwards, Jeannie Foushee, Rodrigo Franco, Kelly Godfrey, Lea Ann McCray, Farida Sharief, Bill Steinmetz. Nonvoting members: Molly Vallant, Ron Herbert, Veronica Godfrey.

Old Business

1 and 2: Review Minutes of 12-April-2006 and 17-May-2006 – both sets of minutes were approved unanimously.

New Business

1 – Upcoming Events

September is "Hispanic Heritage Month"

Need to start organizing this event.

Who would like to lead this? Maria Sifre was mentioned.

October is "Disability Awareness Month"

The Disability Awareness Committee along with Alyce Moore is planning this. DC members can contact them if they desire to volunteer.

November is "Native American Heritage Month"

Pat and QB have volunteered to begin on this.

December is "International Day"

Bill Jirles brought up Labor Day – something at no cost.

2 Recognition of Contractors.

Gordon Flake was taking care of this and has talked to Diane Crawford and was told proposing a recognition of group or groups was fine and it could be added to the awards. We could design a certificate and get some stickers for them. Could get a permanently displayed plaque that has their name as Contractor Organization of the Year and add the new name each time. Should visit the Awards wep page to find out which forms and how to write up the nomination of the group or person. Needed by October –

two months before the awards ceremony. Gordon will check the web site and follow up with Ginny.

Do we want to do a **Men's Health Awareness Day** in June? Let's make it 2007. Or make it during the May Health Fair. Could include depression, mental health, cultural identity, etc.

Who would Organize this event? What day/date?

3. API DVD

David Goulding: Had the API DVD and photos. This will now be archived with Ginny's office. In the future they will be in the Library. He will check with the videographer (Steve) about being able to share a copy of the DVD with the speaker.

4. Rotation of People on/off the Committee in July

There will be a number of people rotating off the committee. Some would like to stay on for another term. A motion to allow members additional terms was put forward and unanimously passed.

Other ideas:

5. Establishment of Permanent Sub-Committees. We have one for the Women's Spirit Lecture. Voted unanimously that: All Sub-committees must begin at least 5 months in advance. We will start this with the International Day S-C.

6. Web based DC Calendar

Bill Jirles: suggested having a DC calendar and then having it added to the email list of calendars. Limit editing capabilities to the DC officers. Read-all so it can be viewed by all interested NIEHS staff